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# Memorial of the Legislature of New York, in favor of a treaty with the Seneca Indians, by which they will give up the Allegany Reservation

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MEMORIAL  
OF  
THE LEGISLATURE OF NEW YORK,

IN FAVOR OF

*A treaty with the Seneca Indians, by which they will give up the Allegany Reservation.*

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FEBRUARY 1, 1871.—Referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs and ordered to be printed.

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STATE OF NEW YORK, IN ASSEMBLY,  
*Albany, January 18, 1871.*

Whereas a portion of the Allegany Reservation, occupied by the Seneca Nation of Indians, has become populated by the white people; and whereas they have been induced to make settlements thereon (especially in the town of Salamanca) on account of the natural business location of the place and a ratification by the legislature of the State of New York of leases made by them with the Seneca Nation of Indians; and whereas the sale of this reservation was recommended by the Indian agent in 1868; and whereas it has become a matter of importance to the white settlers who have made improvements and invested their means in business pursuits thereon: Therefore,

*Resolved, (if the senate concur,)* That the Senators from this State in Congress be instructed, and the Representatives be requested, to procure the passage of some act or the formation of a treaty with the Seneca Nation of Indians, whereby title may be obtained to the whole or a portion of the Allegany Reservation, or such relief secured for white settlers as the circumstances demand.

*Resolved, (if the senate concur,)* That the governor of the State of New York be authorized at any time to appoint a commissioner on behalf of the State to act in conjunction with a commissioner appointed by the United States, for the purpose of carrying out the foregoing object.

*Resolved, (if the senate concur,)* That the governor be requested to transmit a copy of the foregoing preamble and resolutions to each of the Senators and Representatives in the Congress of the United States from this State.

By order :

C. W. ARMSTRONG, *Clerk.*

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IN SENATE, *January 25, 1871.*

Concurred in without amendment.

By order :

HIRAM CALKINS, *Clerk.*